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CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at Quebec.

Assistant Surgeon Billings reports, June 23, as follows:

Week ended June 20, 1903. Number of immigrants inspected, 592; passed, 582; detained, 10.

CHINA.

Reports from Hongkong—Plague and smallpox—Plague in Canton

Passed Assistant Surgeon McMullen reports, May 22 and 23, as follows:

During the week ended May 9, 1903, 11 vessels were inspected with an aggregate personnel of 890 crew and 629 passengers—239 cabin and 390 steerage; 734 crew and 359 steerage were bathed and 1,165 pieces baggage disinfected. Communicable diseases: Plague, 98 cases, 85 deaths (94 Chinese, 2 Portuguese, and 2 Japanese); smallpox, 11 cases, 1 death (1 American, 10 Chinese); enteric fever, 2 cases, and scarlet fever, 1 case, with no deaths.

During the week ended May 16, 1903, 8 vessels were inspected and issued bills of health, 720 crew and 557 passengers (205 cabin and 352 steerage) were inspected, and 546 crew and 346 steerage passengers were bathed and 675 pieces of baggage disinfected. There were 2 rejections during the week. During the time covered by this report there were 117 cases of plague reported, with 99 deaths. Of this number 91 occurred in the city of Victoria and 26 in districts other than the city. This number includes 1 European, 3 Indians, 2 Portuguese, 1 Malay, 3 Japanese, and 107 Chinese. One case each of diphtheria and smallpox, with no deaths, were the only other communicable diseases reported for this time. The European case of plague is the second one reported since January 1. Seven hundred and ninety-two cases of plague have been reported in the colony from January 1 to May 23, inclusive. In Canton and Amoy there is considerable plague, and in the latter place it is estimated that 50 deaths are occurring daily.

Report from Shanghai—Smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, May 18, as follows: During the week ended May 16, 1903, three vessels, 223 crew, and 48 cabin passengers were inspected. Two deaths from smallpox, 5 cases of enteric fever, and 5 deaths from diphtheria. The total mortality is said to have been 4 foreigners and 131 natives.

COLOMBIA.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port—Smallpox—Vaccination.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended June 16, 1903. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; number of deaths, 7, including 3 from smallpox and 1 from tubercu-

losis; prevailing diseases, smallpox and malarial affections. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, not good. Smallpox does not seem to be increasing as rapidly as it was two or three weeks ago. Three thousand vaccine points have been used and about the same quantity has been ordered. Compulsory vaccination, compulsory removal to the isolation hospital, and no arrivals or departures of people from the town without vaccination is the law now enforced.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
June 10	Fort Morgan.....	22	0	0	0
10	Harald	19	0	0	0

COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port—Yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gruver reports as follows: Week ended June 18, 1903. Census population, 4,000; number of cases of yellow fever, 2; total number of deaths, 4; prevailing diseases, yellow fever and malarial diseases; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, poor.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Name of vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
June 12	Preston	29	0	0	0
13	Olympia	37	0	0	0
14	Alps	26	0	0	0
15	Altal	49	15	2	0
17	Beverly	38	0	0	0
18	Algiers	32	0	0	0

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels—Mortality statistics.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, June 18, as follows: During the week ended June 13, 1903, seven bills of health were issued to vessels going to ports in the United States. All were in good sanitary condition and had no sickness on board.

The mortuary report for this week for this city is as follows: Tuberculosis, 8; palludism, 2; gastro-enteritis, 1; other causes, 8; total, 19.

There have been light rains here during this week, but not sufficient to supply the city with water. When the cisterns are refilled the greatest menace to the public health will be removed. Aside from the scarcity of water, the city is in very good sanitary condition.

During the week ended June 20, 1903, 3 bills of health were issued to vessels going to ports in the United States. All were in good sanitary condition and no sickness on board.